



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

Date: December 5, 2003

To: Health and Human Services Committee
Referral to: Ways & Means/Budget

Subject: Authorization to Enter a Grant Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Health, to receive funding for a Maternal Alcohol Use and Prenatal Alcohol Exposure Prevention Initiative through the Twin Cities Healthy Start Project

Recommendation:

That the proper City officials be authorized to enter an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health to receive \$68,618 for the period of January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2005, and increase both the revenue budget (3215) and the appropriation in fund/org 0600-860-8624.

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by:

Ken Dahl, Interim Commissioner of Health & Family Support

Presenters in Committee: Coral Garner, Project Coordinator
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Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- ☒ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
☒ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

Background/Supporting Information Attached:

The Department is requesting to enter an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health to receive these funds over two years. The funds will be used by the Twin Cities Healthy Start project to train partner agencies on maternal alcohol use and prenatal alcohol exposure prevention, and to recruit program participants to serve as mentors to other recovering pregnant and parenting alcoholics. The mentors will conduct support groups and be available to their mentees as needed for support.